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DIRECTOR

July 14, 2008

TO: Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION: Natural Resources Commission

Transaction: State Forest Land Acquisition
Atlanta Management Unit – Montmorency County
The Townsend Tract
Land Transaction Case #20070231

Purchase Price: 40.0 acres – \$108,000.00

Description: Montmorency County, Briley Township, T31N, R02E,
the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ of Section 34.

Sellers: Scott and Jill Townsend, Atlanta, Michigan

Option Expires: August 19, 2008

Property Taxes: \$1,548.00 for 2007 tax year, estimated

Authority: Act 451, Public Acts of 1994, as amended

Notice: This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department)
August 4, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 11, 2008.

Comments: The offered private parcel is located in central Montmorency County,
approximately three miles northwest of the Village of Hillman.

The offered 40.0-acre recreation parcel has frontage on the DeCheau Lake flooding and is bordered by State-owned land on all four sides. DeCheau Lake Road, a county-maintained road, passes through the western part of the property, providing legal access. The waterfront portion of the property is dominated by lowland conifers, and is likely unbuildable, while the northeastern portion has mixed aspen, maple, and pine.

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Acquisition of this private in-holding will consolidate ownership, eliminate nearly a mile of private property boundary, increase public recreational opportunities, and secure critical elk habitat.

The seller does not own the mineral rights to this property.

Recommendation: That this tract be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund, under authority of Part 21, Act 451 of 1994, as amended.

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I approve the staff recommendation.

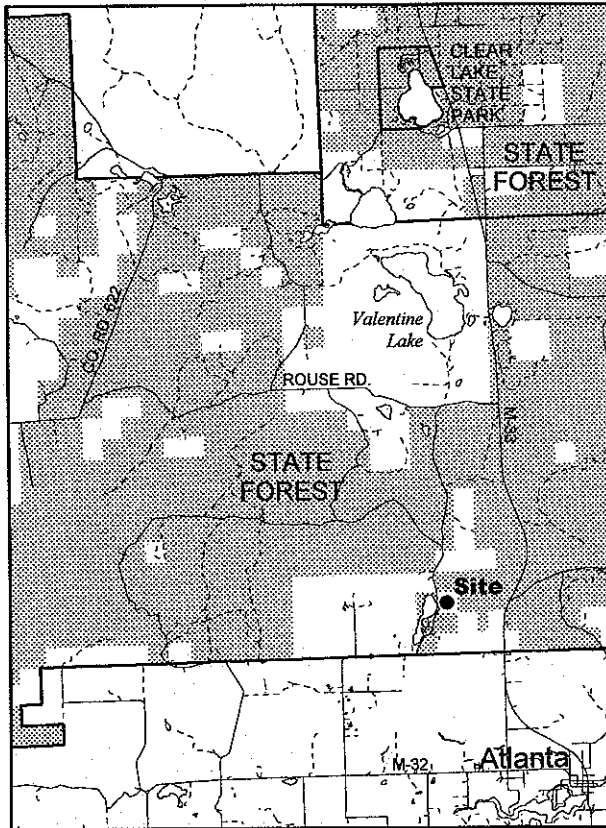
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Director

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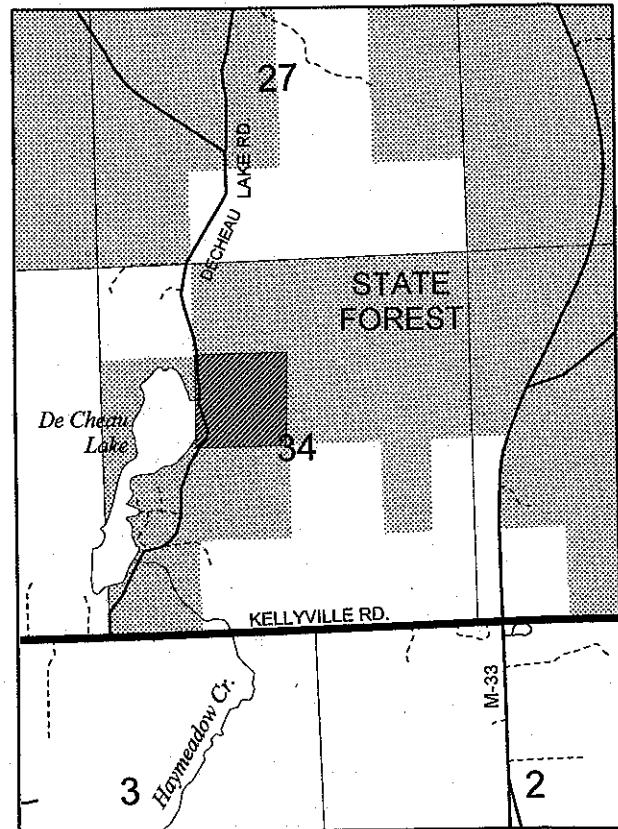
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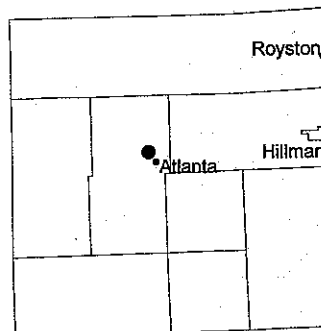


Regional Location



Section 34, T31N, R02E, Briley Township

- State Forest Boundary
- Land Offered to DNR (40 acres - \$108,000.00)
- State Land
- Private Land



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